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**MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable McGeorge Bundy
Special Assistant to the President
for National Security Affairs**

1. I attach preliminary comments responsive to the President's questions forwarded by your memorandum of 14 March.
2. A detailed response will be submitted before 29 March.

**Marshall S. Carter
Lieutenant General, USA
Acting Director**

Attachment

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MEMORANDUM FOR

THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

The President has asked me to send you this urgent memorandum. Following up on his previous memorandum asking for definite information about terrorists in Venezuela who are trained in Cuba, he would appreciate it if the Agency could give him the following information country by country on the broader field of undesirables re-exported from Cuba throughout Latin America:

1. How many arrests have there been in Latin America of terrorists, guerrillas, or other subversives who have been trained in Cuba?
2. How many acts of sabotage or other illegal actions are estimated to have been committed by individuals trained in Cuba, and how solid are these estimates?
3. What is our hard information concerning positions of influence in labor movements, student groups, Communist parties or other important institutions of individuals known or believed to have been trained in Cuba?

Turning the matter around, what do we know about the type and character of the training and experience of young Latin Americans who have been in and out of Cuba? What proportion of these travellers are in fact going for serious revolutionary training, and on what degree of firmness do we base our estimates of the numbers of guerrillas or other subversives who have been trained on the island? Who recruits the ones who go for serious revolutionary purposes and what kind of people are they?

The President recognizes that these questions are difficult and that a full answer may take some time. He would therefore like to have your preliminary comment in time for his use in San Jose, and your more detailed response not later than March 29th.

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McGeorge Bundy

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